QA Magnolia Emergency Planning Committee Disaster Response Plan

Queen Anne Magnolia Emergency Planning Committee

A sub committee of the Queen Anne Magnolia District Council made up of volunteers and members of various community groups

Since mid 2006 have been developing a Disaster Response Plan for the Queen Anne / Magnolia District

Mission Statement:

- *Create a comprehensive plan for disaster preparedness and response at the district level and communicate that plan to our Queen Anne Magnolia District.*

Goal:
A program of action and resources that will ensure optimal recovery from a disaster.

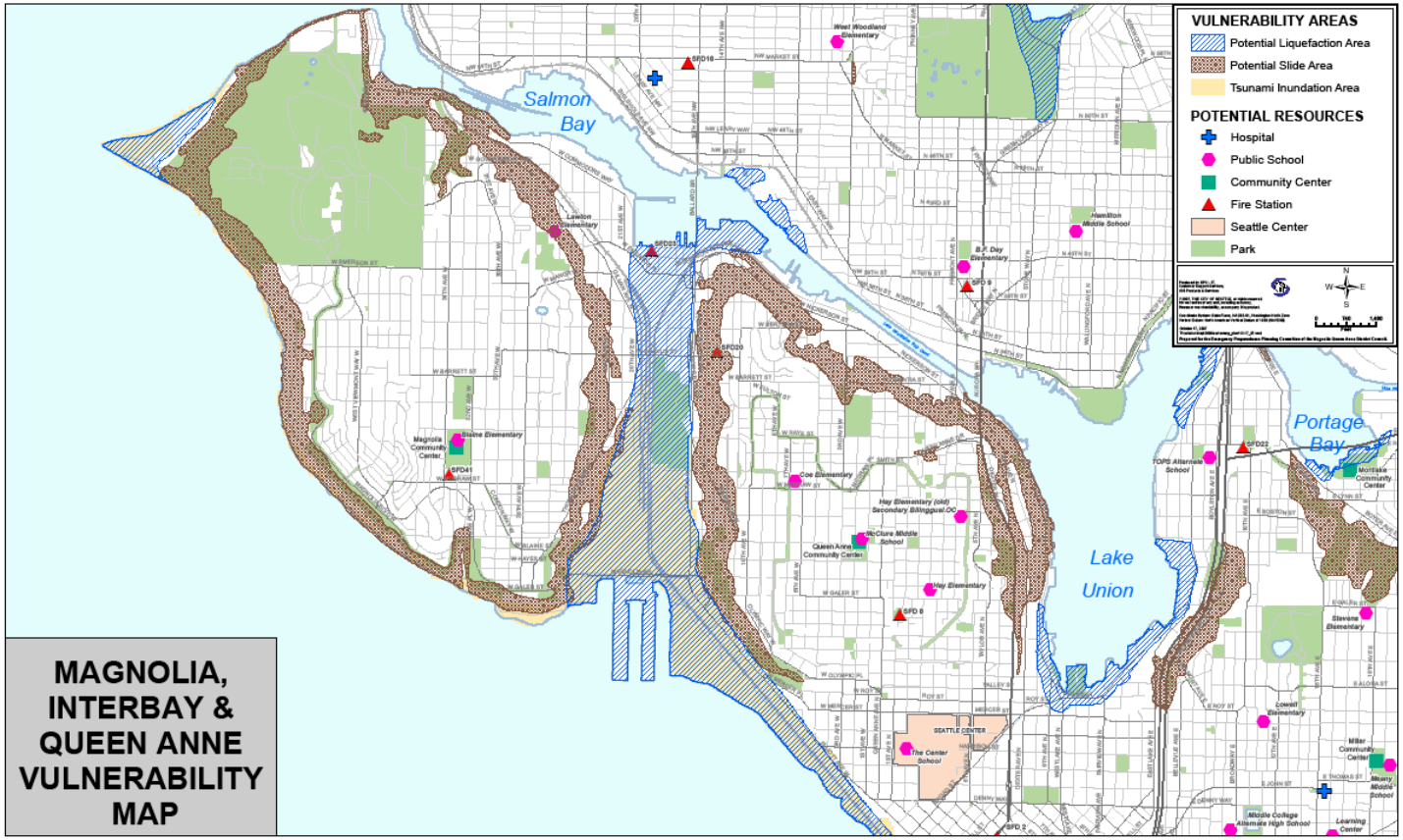
Create **a *basic information conduit***
to and from emergency services.

Levels of Planning that need to occur:

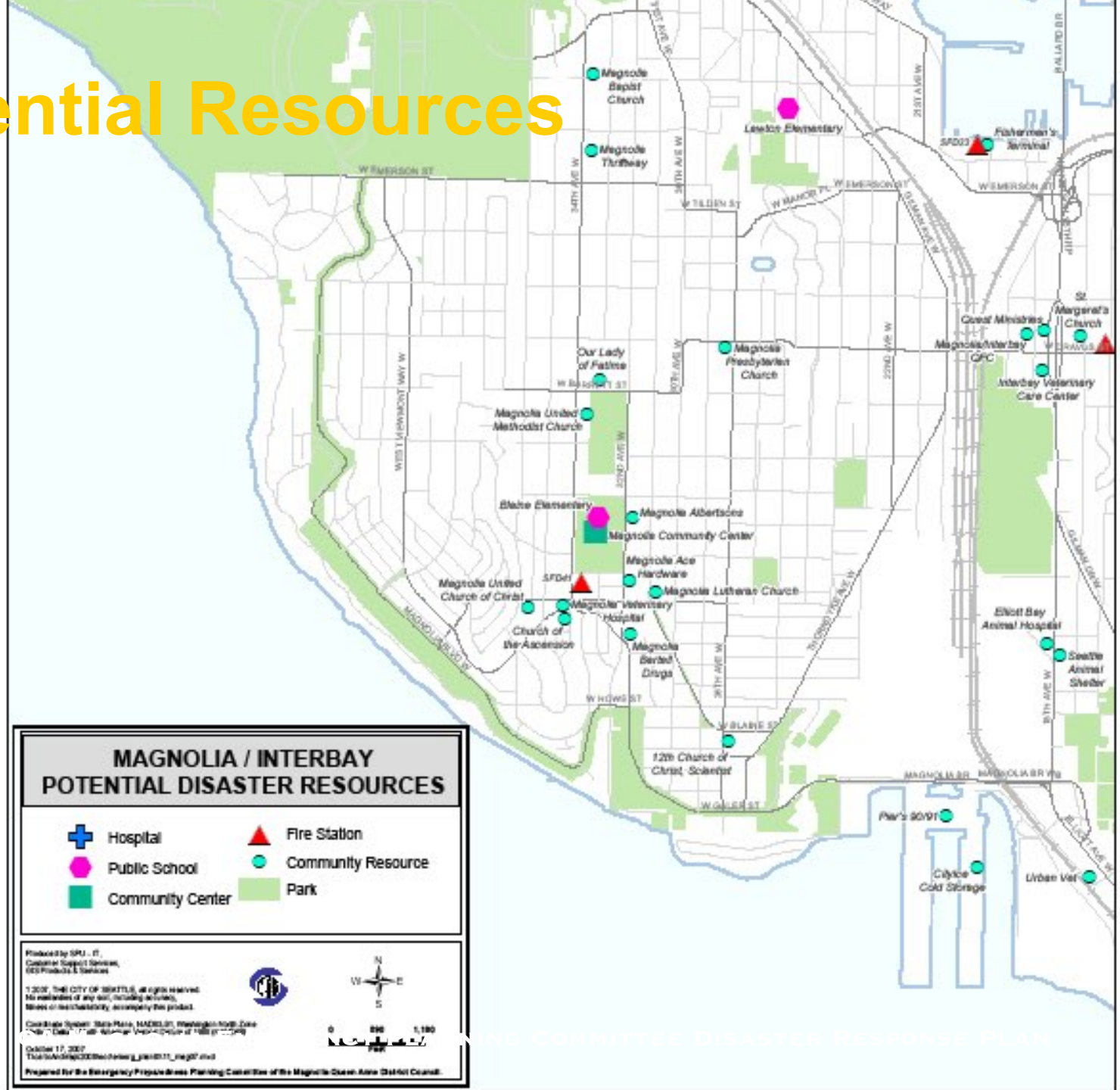
The Steps taken to develop the Plan

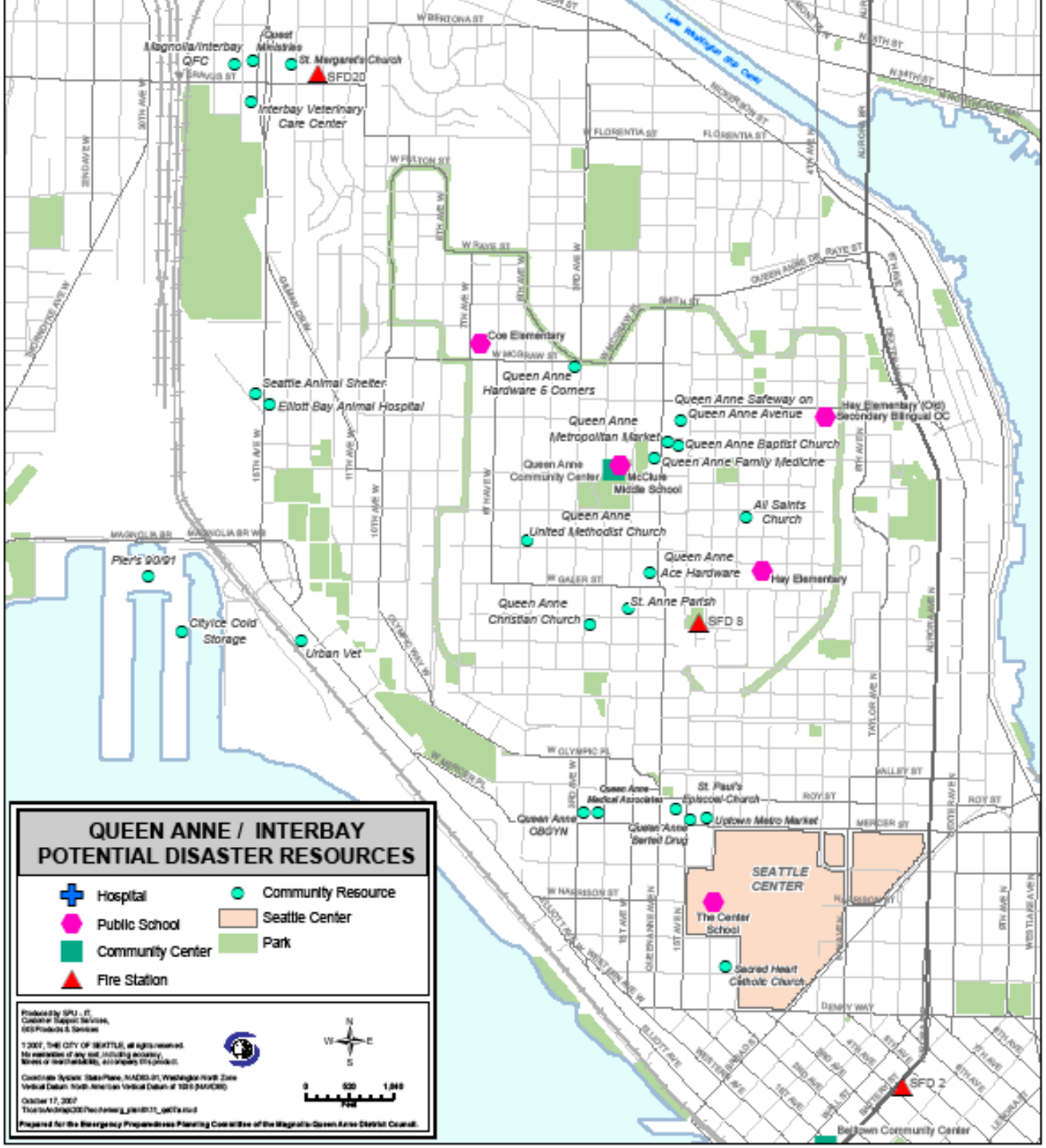
- Mapped the vulnerabilities that our communities face in a “natural disaster”
- Contacted Potential Resources within our community.
- Focused the Plan on how we will communicate before and after a disaster.

The vulnerabilities to our Community



Potential Resources




QUEEN ANNE / INTERBAY
POTENTIAL DISASTER RESOURCES
Hospital
Public School
Community Center
Fire Station
Community Resource
Seattle Center
Park
Magnolia/Interbay QFC
Quest Ministries
St. Margaret's Church
SFD20
Interbay Veterinary Care Center
Coe Elementary
Queen Anne Hardware 6 Corners
Seattle Animal Shelter
Elliott Bay Animal Hospital
Queen Anne Safeway on Queen Anne Avenue
Hay Elementary (Old) Secondary Bilingual OC
Queen Anne Metropolitan Market
Queen Anne Baptist Church
Queen Anne Family Medicine
Queen Anne Community Center
McClure Middle School
All Saints Church
Queen Anne United Methodist Church
Queen Anne Ace Hardware
Hay Elementary
Pier's 90/91
Queen Anne Christian Church
St. Anne Parish
SFD 8
Cityice Cold Storage
Urban Vet
Queen Anne Medical Associates
St. Paul's Episcopal Church
Queen Anne CBD/YN
Uptown Metro Market
Queen Anne Dental Drug
SEATTLE CENTER
The Center School
Sacred Heart Catholic Church
SFD 2
Belltown Community Center
Lake Washington Ship Canal

Disaster Timeline

1. Preparedness	2. Disaster Event	3. Immediately after the Disaster Event Potential Time of No Services	4. Initial Recovery	5. Long-Term Recovery
training, collecting supplies, planning		5 to 7 days - limited health services, no light, heat, water, phone, power - No TV, Internet, Cell phone service, street lights, gas stations closed, roads and bridges impassible, toilets won't flush, some people may have no shelter	City or Red Cross sets up emergency services, utilities are repaired, health services become available, some businesses resume operation	rebuilding and repair, FEMA Grants are applied for, businesses resume operation

Immediately Post-Disaster - Potential Time of No Services: Communication will be Critical

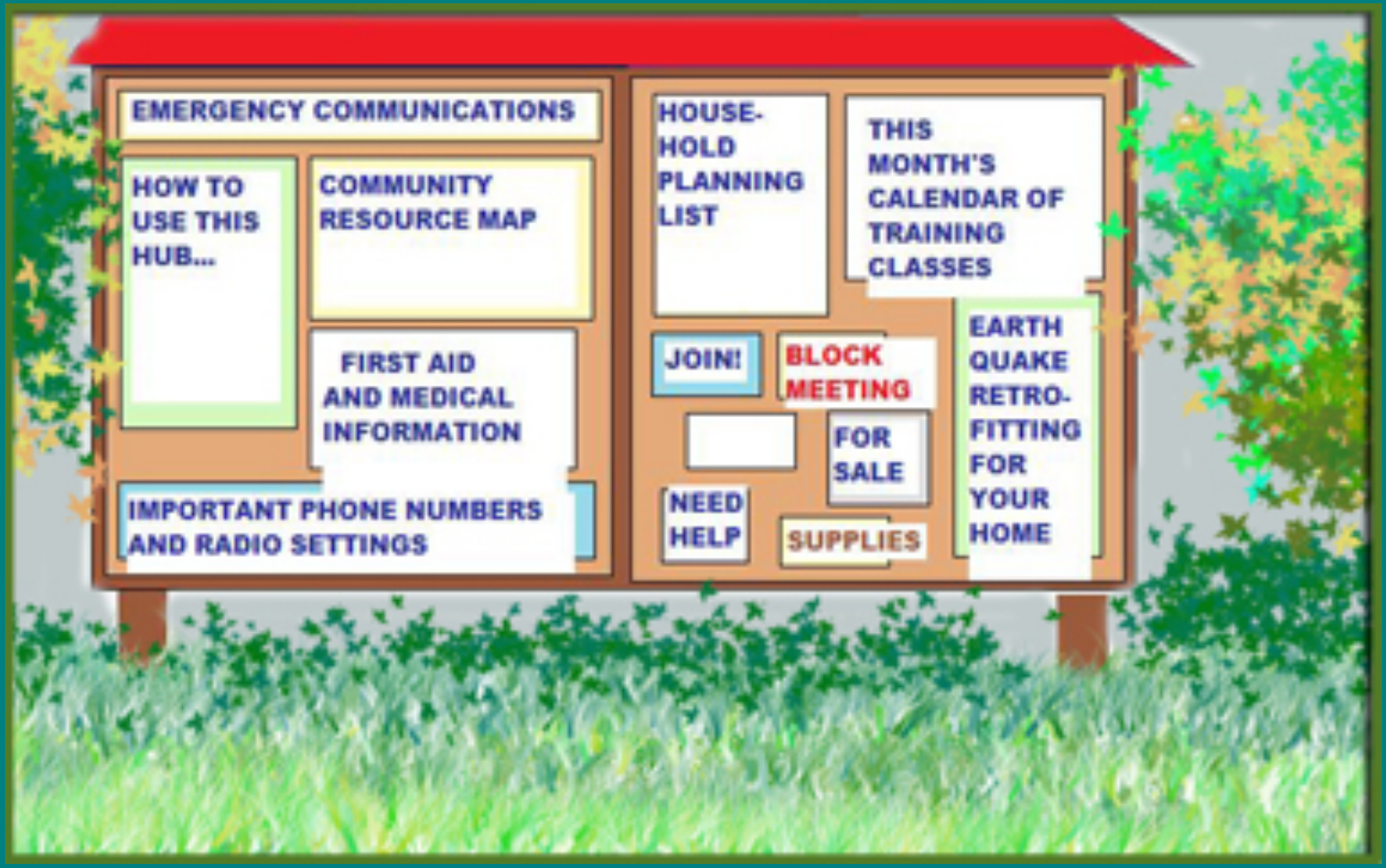
- **most vulnerable period** for survivors.
- When will the power come back on?
- When will phone service resume?
- When will the roads be cleared?
- What is happening with the water supply?

Communication: Highest Priority

- **Seattle Emergency Management** and other city agencies need information about the conditions in neighborhoods.
- Neighborhoods need to report power outages, injuries, and hazardous conditions to utilities and other authorities.

Communication Hubs

- Gathering points for people to exchange information and quell rumors.
- …will be among the first places that City workers will look to find out about the condition of the neighborhood.



Communication Hub

Selection Criteria for Communication Hub Sites in Magnolia-Queen Anne 1 of 2

1. Permission to use the area: usually a public space / Thriftway is exception

2. Outdoors site: walled structures vulnerable

3. Room for a large gathering of people, communication setup, helicopter (?)

4. Not in a slide prone or liquefiable area: no other earthquake hazards

   Interbay near Dravus is exception as site is needed in Interbay

Selection Criteria for Communication Hub Sites in Magnolia-Queen Anne

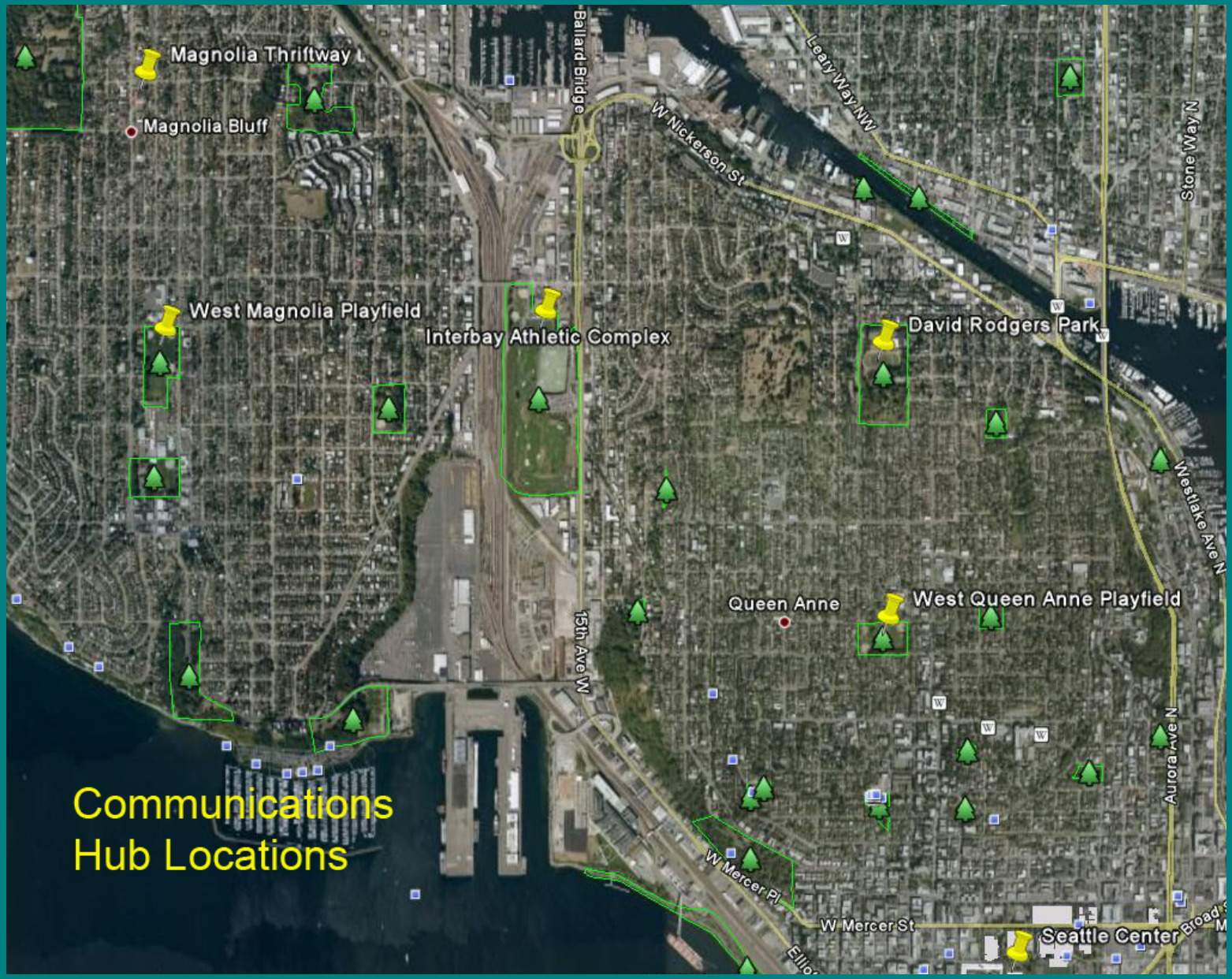
5. A natural gathering point for neighborhood.

6. Distribution of hub sites throughout Magnolia, Interbay and Queen Anne.

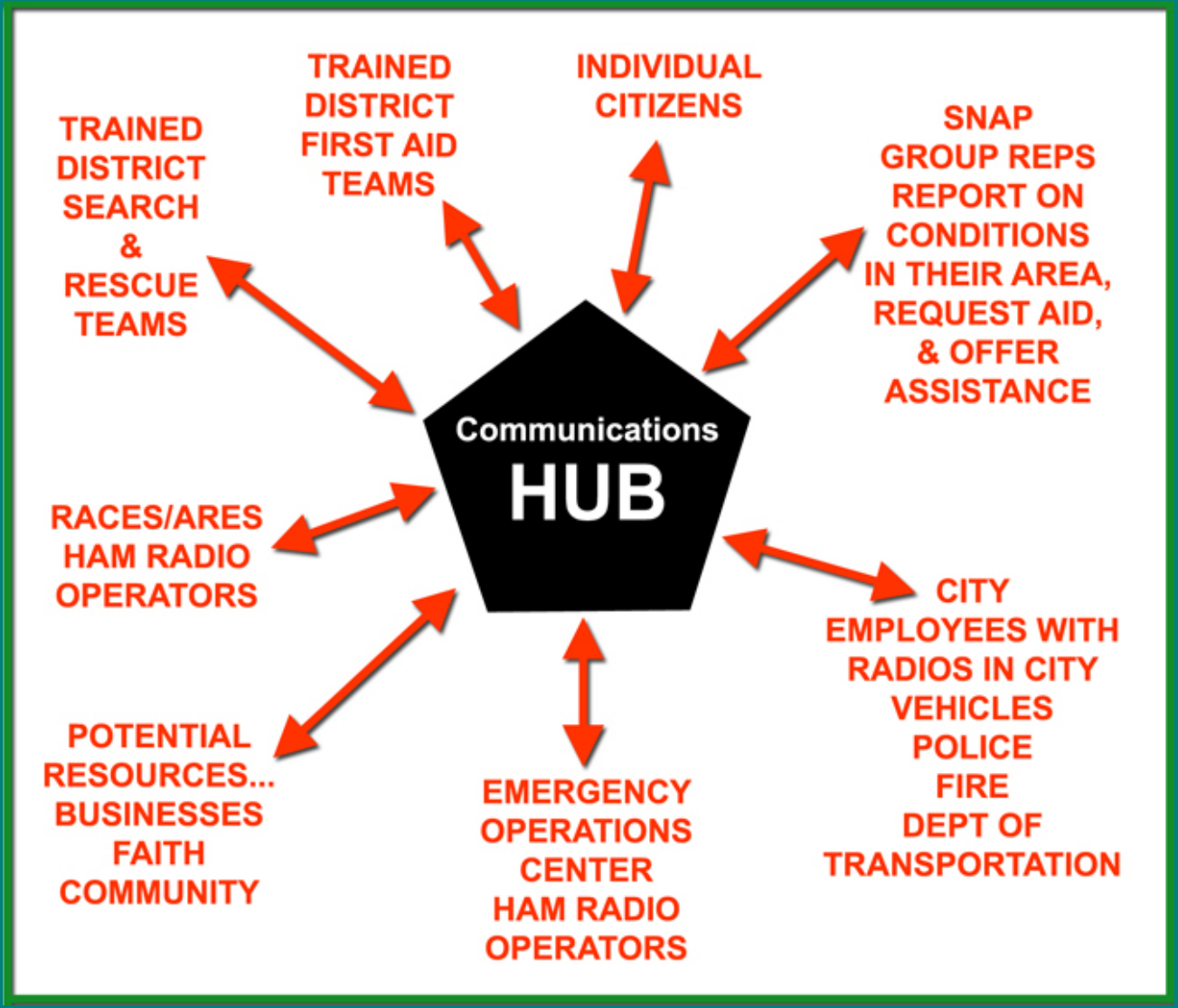
7. A limited number of hub sites in each neighborhood

   *City suggestion, a limited number of volunteers ready and able to use ham radios, provide emergency medical care, transportation, etc.

8. Ability to leverage other resources and/or having its own communication system-as Seattle Center does-is a bonus. Are not prerequisites, but favorable features.


Magnolia Thriftway
Magnolia Bluff
Ballard Bridge
W Nickerson St
Leary Way NW
Stone Way N
West Magnolia Playfield
Interbay Athletic Complex
David Rodgers Park
Westlake Ave N
Queen Anne
West Queen Anne Playfield
15th Ave W
Aurora Ave N
Communications
Hub Locations
W Mercer Pl
W Mercer St
Seattle Center

Communications Hub Plan



- **Volunteers** and other **individuals** will check on the welfare of their neighbors, assess damage in their locale, and make their way to the nearest Communication Hub where
- **They will leave handwritten notes** reporting damage to roads, landslides, injuries, or no utility service.
- Notes should specify level of urgency date, contact address and phone number.
- See **notes** that others have left, with information about which stores may be open, where to obtain emergency medical care or transportation, or where help is needed.

ACS, RACES / ARES
"Ham" Radio Operators

- Will gather information to transmit to emergency services
- Will post times and locations where they will be available to transmit urgent messages
- will post news and messages for the public,.

ACS Field Setup:

Contact Information for Resources

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